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Re: Request for information

Dear Ms. Nason:

This firm serves as counsel to the Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office, and your request for information has been forwarded to me for a response. Please see the enclosed response I sent on January 10 of last year on this request. I believe this is the fourth time that I have responded to a MuckRock request for this information. Please see the prior responses if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert Spence'.

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To Whom It May Concern:

This firm serves as counsel to the Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office, and your request for records has been forwarded to me for a response. The policies and procedures of the Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office are not public records available through Alabama's Open Records Act. Additionally, the Sheriff's Office does not keep the statistics requested on the number of rape kits received into evidence or processed by a forensic lab. The Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences may have those statistics. Because the Sheriff's Office does not perform any forensic testing of rape kits, they have no statistics about any backlog. The collection of the material for the rape kit is similarly not collected by Sheriff's Office employees, but is performed by trained medical professionals.

Sincerely,

Robert Spence